

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): A flushing device, operative to perform a full flushing process and partial flushing process, comprising:

a container and at least one pressurized chamber, having an actuating device for initiating a flushing process,

an outlet valve in the lower region of the container,

a connecting device for a water pipe for refilling the container with flushing water, wherein either a partial flushing process or full flushing process can be carried out,

an evacuation fitting having a valve member, and

a power-loaded part which, ~~in the event of a~~ during the partial flushing process, is operative to move the valve member of the evacuation fitting and, as a result, the flushing process is prematurely interrupted and, during the full flushing process, remains in an inoperative position.

2. (cancelled)

3. (previously presented): The flushing device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the power-loaded part is mounted displaceably in the evacuation fitting.

4. (previously presented): The flushing device as claimed in claim 3, wherein the power-loaded part is spring-loaded in the inoperative position.

5. (previously presented): The flushing device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the power-loaded part is mounted in the piston mentioned.

6. (previously presented): The flushing device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the power-loaded part is retained releasably in its inoperative position.

7. (previously presented): The flushing device as claimed in claim 6, wherein the power-loaded part is locked releasably in its inoperative position.

8. (previously presented): The flushing device as claimed in claim 7, wherein a locking device is provided for retaining the power-loaded part, said locking device having a slide which interacts with the power-loaded part at the upper end thereof.

9. (previously presented): The flushing device as claimed in claim 1, wherein a piston is fastened to a sealing member at the upper end thereof and has an internal space in which means for the optional premature closing of the outlet valve are mounted.

10. (previously presented): The flushing device as claimed in claim 1, wherein means for the optional premature closing of the evacuation fitting have a downwardly protruding section which bears against the sealing member when the evacuation fitting is open.

11. (currently amended): The flushing device as claimed in claim 1, wherein control means are provided and, ~~in the event of a~~ during the partial flushing process, automatically interrupt the flushing process.

12. (previously presented): The flushing device as claimed in claim 11, wherein the control means have a level sensor which interrupts the flushing process when a predetermined level of the flushing water is reached.

13. (currently amended): The flushing device as claimed in one of claims 1 to 12, wherein the actuating device has at least two buttons (~~A, B~~), one button (~~A~~) being provided for [~~a~~] the full flushing process and the other button (~~B~~) being provided for [~~a~~] the partial flushing process.

14. (withdrawn and currently amended): The flushing device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the container has two chambers which are connected to each other, only one of the chambers being emptied during [~~a~~] the partial flushing process and both chambers being emptied during [~~a~~] the full flushing process.

15. (withdrawn and previously presented): The flushing device as claimed in claim 14, wherein each chamber can be emptied by its own piston.

16. (withdrawn and currently amended): The flushing device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the container has two chambers which are separated from each other and of which only one is emptied during [a] the partial flushing process and both are emptied during [a] the full flushing process.

17. (withdrawn and previously presented): The flushing device as claimed in claim 16, wherein each of the two chambers has its own piston for discharging flushing water from the corresponding chamber.

18. (withdrawn and previously presented): The flushing device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the container has a spring-loaded piston, and in that a pressurized air layer is enclosed between the piston and the flushing water.

19. (previously presented): An evacuation fitting for a flushing device as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that it has a power-loaded part which, in order to interrupt a flushing process, interacts with a sealing member in order to move the latter into the sealing position.

20. (previously presented): The evacuation fitting as claimed in claim 19, wherein the power-loaded part is designed as a piston and, in order to interrupt the flushing process, is mounted displaceably in a guide tube.

21. (currently amended): The evacuation fitting as claimed in claim 19 or 20, wherein it is connected to a control device which, ~~in the event of a~~ during the partial flushing process, automatically closes the valve of the evacuation fitting.

22. - 25 (cancelled)